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Next General Meeting

Sunday 16 October 2016

Hi Everyone,

I know we are all getting a little older and are starting to forget things but let's hope that this doesn't happen to any of us.



And, I think this picture says it all – happy travelling



TRIP REPORT – Cindy & Richard – to Cape York

Our trip has been so varied and interesting. Initially we travelled inland via Moree where we enjoyed the artesian hot springs at the local caravan park. We then travelled towards Longreach, free camping along the way where we could, ie Mitchell, great free camp spot and lovely town, where we also visited the local hot pools in town \$10 each, a bit pricey and way too hot for me – (so I wouldn't recommend). We stopped for several days at Blackall at the council camp area in town, \$8.00 a night, hot showers nearby and the best council pool - \$2.00 a day, lovely warm water and just a great little town. We pushed onwards to Longreach, visited Stockman's Hall of Fame, relaxed for a couple of days before heading to Cloncurry where we stayed at 'Wal's Camp \$15.00 a night – a bit of an odd camp area but we enjoyed the stay. From Cloncurry we headed north to Karumba – we had been given mixed opinions of this town, we found it great, we had a lovely sunset cruise – didn't see any crocodiles though. Richard did a little fishing from the jetty - not much success but nice location to sit and relax.

Leaving Karumba we went to Normington where we had a two hour train trip on the historic 125 year old Gulflander – we then travelled onwards across the interesting Gulf Savannah road where our next stop was Cobbald Gorge, we stayed at the Gorge for 2 days, next stop was the Undara Lava Tubes which were amazing. After the Lava Tubes our next stop was the Innot Hot Springs Caravan Park - \$40 a night, a bit pricey but there were several hot pools which were fabulous. There is a hot thermal stream running beside the caravan park, however, the stream was very low and in spots, the water was literally boiling hot (was a good choice to stay at the park). After the interesting time driving on the Gulf Development Road we were very happy to reach good roads and the very green Atherton Tablelands region. Whilst in Atherton we had a great day when we visited Herberton historic village and we also did drives to sweet little towns such as Yungaburra and the Nerida Tea factory where we saw tree kangaroos.

We then drove to Cairns for a few days before beginning our big trip to the 'tip'. We left our van at Palmer River Roadhouse and travelled up the Peninsula Development Road (PDR). We stayed (in a TENT) at roadhouses and Branwell Cattle Station travelling up to Cape York. At the tip we did the traditional photos etc. On our return trip we went to Weipa for a few days – very quiet mining town and a nice restful spot with stunning sunsets each evening. Still hadn't seen any crocs.

We returned safely back to bitumen and the van, very pleased to be back in 'one piece' after the many kilometres on corrugated roads. In respect to the PDR road and the roads there in general, it was a real mixture, ok corrugations, vile sections of corrugation and random bitumen sections. Odd. The very worst section of corrugation was the 25 km before Jardine Ferry – it was just horrible.

Next stop was Cooktown where we stayed at the iconic Lions Den Hotel - Cooktown was interesting especially seeing Grassy Hill where Captain Cook stood in 1770 surveying the waters as he planned a route for his ship to escape the reef. We then visited the Daintree region and Cape Tribulation – very pretty, shame about the crocs as I would have loved to have a swim. (still haven't seen a croc though).

All in all a pretty good trip – weather has been mostly good, we've enjoyed the company of a variety of fellow travellers – interestingly I have observed on the Cape York leg of our travels that other travellers first question is 'are you going up or down'.

Highlights of the trip so far are hard to pin down – Richard states it is getting to the tip, for me it is getting off the corrugations in one piece (and surviving the TENT). We are in Cairns now (still no crocs sighted). Our next stop was Paronella Park then we travel to Townsville as we head down the coast with a planned detour to Toowomba to visit family.

This is a long trip report but it has been such an exciting journey that it is hard to cull favourite bits of the trip. Anyhow, for now, its 'au revoir'.

Cindy & Richard ABC

**WINNERS of FREE
LUNCH**

Rod Thomas
Fred Jager

**MONTHLY CLUB RAFFLE
WINNERS**

\$50.00 – Neville Coultman
\$30.00 – Judy Brown
\$20.00 – Janine Gibbs

Happy Birthday to the following Members for OCTOBER

David Hastie 2-Oct	Lorraine Holmes 15-Oct
John Bryce 2-Oct	Rick Riley 18-Oct
Karen Williams 3-Oct	Lyn Belshaw 21-Oct
Allan Reilly 4-Oct	Janis Treacy 22-Oct
Lynette Clarke 6-Oct	Kate Crocker 23-Oct
Jane Holly 7-Oct	Alice Cooper 30-Oct
Mac Henry 8-Oct	Pat Rohwer 30-Oct
Paul Davico 9-Oct	Dennis Williams 30-Oct
Lyn Purcell 11-Oct	Maureen Riley 31-Oct
Vickie Barker 14-Oct	

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<u>2016 LIST OF TRIPS</u>				
<u>DATE</u>	<u>TRIP DESTINATION</u>	<u>MEMBERS ATTENDING</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>	<u>PHONE</u>
17th Oct – 23rd	13th Annual Slim Dusty Country Music Festival	Bolcina, Brewer, Curnow, Dew, Eadie, Geale, Holland, Howard, Moore J/N, Pollard 10	Allan Howard 4358 4224 0448 533 701	To book Phone 6562 6533
27th October – 3rd November	TLC Melbourne Cup Club Rally – Paradise Caravan Park Tamworth	Belshaw, Bennett, Bolcina, Brewer, Brooks, Bryce/Tanner Cannard, Cok, Collins, Crocker, Curnow, Dew, Ducker, Dunn, Edwards/Williamson, Field, Fletcher, Geale, Hansell, Henry, Holland, Howard, Insull, Jager, Kelly, Lee-Sing, Lenane, Majchrowski, Marsland, Moore, Nichols, Oakes, Olesen, Pollard, Reilly, Rohwer, Ryan, Shoobert, Simpson, Smithers, Smyth, Stewart,, Thomas F/R, Treacy/Wenning, Wells 45	Tour Director	4390 2277
November 21st to 30th	Narrbeen Leisure trip DO NOT RING PARK RING DES COOPER	Angell, Baird/Bickley, Bolcina, Chambers, Clarke J, Coltman, Cooper, Curnow, Davidson, Dew, Ducker, Dunn, Eadie, Flippence, , Gibbs, Henry, Holland, Holmes, Howard, Kane, Lenane, Lindsay, Majchrowski, Marsland, McGillicuddy, Merrett/Wright, Moore J/N, Pollard, Reilly, Riley, Rohwer, Ryan, Shawcross, Shoobert, Smith, Steele, Wells 37	Des Cooper	4393 3383
28th December	Back to the 50's New Years Eve party Property at Martinsville	Bickley/Baird, Bolcina, Brewer, Brooks, Brown, Cannard, Cok, Collins, Ducker, Dunn, Eadie, Edwards/Williamson, Flippence, Gibbs, Hansell, Henry, Holmes, Howard, Jager, Johnson, Jones, Kelly, Lenane, Lindsay, Majchrowski, McGillicuddy, Merrett/Wright, Moore, Oakes, Olesen, Palmer, Rohwer, Shoobert, Simpson, Smithers, Stewart, Steele, Thomas, Treacy/Wenning, Wells, White 43	Peter/Carol Olesen 4977 1093	Free camp on Olesen's property

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>TRIP DESTINATION</u>	<u>MEMBERS ATTENDING</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>	<u>PHONE</u>
Feb 2nd-9th 2017	North Haven Beach Front Holiday Park	Anderson, Collins, Ducker, Edwards/Williamson, Hansell, Henry, Holmes, Howard, Insull, Jager, Lee-Sing, Lenane, Lindsay, Oakes, Olesen, Palmer, Reilly, Rohwer, Shoobert, Smith, Steele, Stevens, Thomas F/R, Treacy / Wenning, Wells 25	Tour Director 4390 2277	Phone Beach Front 6559 9193
Feb 9th-23rd	Shoal Bay	Ducker, Edward/Williamson, Henry, Lenane, Lindsay, Majchrowski, Reilly, Stevens, Wells 9	Clarrie Stevens 4369 2759	To book phone 1800 600 200
Feb 9th- 16th	Lakeside Tourist Park – Forster	Bennett, Bolcina, Brown, Chambers, Crocker, Curnow, Ducker, Dunn, Eadie, Geale, Gibbs, Hansell, Henry, Holmes, Howard, Insull, Kane, Latham, Lee-Sing, Lindsey, McGillicuddy, Moore T/Dick M, Palmer I/Evernden F, Pollard, Reilly, Rohwer, Shawcross, Smyth, Steele, Thomas F/R, Wells, 31	Coral Kane	To book phone 6655 5511
14th – 20th Feb	Knorrit Flats (40kms from Wingham)	Brewer, Edwards S/Williamson G	Susan Edwards 4328 1541	
3rd-5th March	State Rally Hawkesbury Showground Clarendon	Bolcina, Davidson/Whitehead, Edwards/Williamson, Geale, Merrett/Wright, Pollard, Smithers 7	Peter Davidson 0429 447 467	
March follow on from state rally	Great Ocean Rd & Murray River Approx. 2 months	Bickley/Baird, Cok, Cooper, Geale, Latham, Merrett/Wright, Moore, Palmer, Pollard, Whitehead / Davidson 10	Peter Davidson 0429 447467	
March 9th-16th	Capital Country Holiday Park Canberra	Olesen, Thomas, Treacy/Wenning	Janis Treacy 4973 5140	To book ring 6230 3433
April 3rd – 18th	Hartwood Camp Fires & Country Music	Bolcina, Brewer, Kane, Majchrowski, Smithers	John Bolcina 0417 021 038	
April 23rd – May 1st	Boggabri Drovers Campfire	Majchrowski, Nichols, Shoobert	Bev Shoobert 4390 2277	Web site Boggabri Drovers Campfires

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